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First Presbyterian Church
Brookline, Massachusetts
October 24 - 25 - 1916



REV. JOHN MacLAREN RICHARDSON
MODERATOR

Just as these Minutes were ready for mailing, the Stated Clerk received notice of the sudden death from pneumonia, at his home in Bridgeport, Conn., on Jan. 11, 1917, of the

Rev. John MacLaren Richardson

This means is here taken of giving formal notice to the members of Synod and others to whom these Minutes may come, of the loss that has fallen to us, his friends and acquaintances. In a word of recognition, we desire to express the sense of personal bereavement that each and all must feel in the passing from our midst, of this, our honored Moderator and beloved Brother.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTH STATED MEETING

OF THE

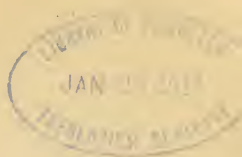
SYNOD OF NEW ENGLAND

HELD IN

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BROOKLINE, MASS.

OCTOBER 24 - 25, 1916

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by the Stated Clerk
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Officers of the Synod

Moderator

REV. JOHN MacLAREN RICHARDSON, Bridgeport, Conn.

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REV. JAMES W. SMITH, 67 Brook St., Manchester, N. H.

Permanent Clerk

REV. CHARLES ALLEN FISHER, Worcester, Mass.

Temporary Clerk

REV. JOHN A. McCLELLAND, Framingham, Mass.

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Boston—Rev. George W. Warren, 59 Monmouth Street, East Boston, Mass.

Connecticut Valley—Rev. John F. Johnstone, 130 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Conn.

Newburyport—Rev. James W. Smith, 67 Brook Street, Manchester, N. H.

Providence—Rev. John A. McClelland, 162 Hollis Street, Framingham, Mass.

Permanent Committees

EXECUTIVE COMMISSION.

Rev. John MacLaren Richardson, Moderator, Chairman.
Rev. James W. Smith, Stated Clerk, Secretary

Class of 1919.

Rev. John MacLaren Richardson.
Rev. Charles Allen Fisher.
Elder, Hugh R. McGregor.

Class of 1918.

Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D.
Elder, John T. Manson.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Allan McD. Paterson.
Elder, Neil M. Forsyth.

HOME MISSIONS, FREEDMEN, CHURCH ERECTION.

Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., Chairman, 1918.

Boston—Rev. Norman MacQueen, Elder William Cowan.

Connecticut Valley—Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston, Elder Henry C. Boswell.

Newburyport—Rev. A. McD. Paterson, Elder William Binley.

Providence—Rev. Nathaniel J. Sproul, D. D., Elder C. W. Weller.

EVANGELISM.

Class of 1919.

Rev. John A. McClelland.
Elder John T. Manson

Class of 1918.

Rev. William W. Illiffe.
Rev. A. McD. Paterson.
Elder C. M. Pike.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Howard A. Johnston, Chairman.
Elder Samuel J. McNeilly.
Elder Andrew Canossen.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Class of 1919.

Rev. John F. Johnstone.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Alexander Jackson, Ph. D.
Elder Gilbert Stalker.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Leroy L. Daniel, Chairman.
Elder William Morrison.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

**Including Christian Education, College Aid, Publication,
Sabbath School Work and Young People's Societies.**

Class of 1919.

Rev. John MacLaren Richardson.
Rev. Clarence A. Young, Ph. D.
Elder, L. H. Guptill, M. D.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Edward E. Weaver, Ph. D.
Elder Fred B. Thompson.
Elder L. S. Begent.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Robert Atkinson, Chairman.
Rev. Joseph E. Kennedy.
Elder George W. Tarr.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND SUSTENTATION.

Class of 1919.

Rev. Herbert A. Manchester.

Class of 1918.

Rev. George W. Warren.
Elder George H. Jacques.

Class of 1917.

Rev. James M. Craig, Chairman.
Elder, John T. Ferguson.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Class of 1919.

Elder James McAlden.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Charles Allen Fisher.

Class of 1917.

Rev. George L. McCain, Chairman.

VACANCY AND SUPPLY.

Class of 1919.

Elder Forbes Craig.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Clarence A. Young, Ph. D.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Frank M. Carson, Chairman.

BROTHERHOOD, SOCIAL SERVICE, TEMPERANCE, LORD'S DAY.

Class of 1919.

Rev. George H. McClelland.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Martin D. Kneeland.

Elder John Baptiste.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Frederick N. Van Horsen, Chairman.

Elder L. H. Guptill, M. D.

NARRATIVE OF CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK.

Rev. James W. Smith, Presbytery of Newburyport, Chairman.

Rev. George W. Warren, Presbytery of Boston.

Rev. John F. Johnstone, Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.

Rev. John A. McClelland, Presbytery of Providence.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

Class of 1919.

Elder George Barnet, Jr.

Class of 1918.

Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston, Chairman.

Elder C. C. Fulton.

Class of 1917.

Rev. Richard R. Lange.

Elder Allan Campbell.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

General Assembly.

Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., Chairman.

Rev. John MacLaren Richardson.

Elder Samuel J. McNeilly.

Elder John A. Murray.

Representatives to Federations of Churches.

Massachusetts—Rev. Clarence A. Young, Ph. D.; Elder William Cowan.

Maine—Rev. Alexander Jackson, Ph. D.; Elder S. P. Archibald.

Succession of Moderators.

Date	Ministers	Presbytery	Place
1912	Rev. H. A. Manchester, D. D. (Convener.)	Boston	Boston
1912	Rev. Howard A. Johnston, D. D.	Conn. Valley	Boston
1913	Rev. Lester M. Conrow	Providence	Hartford
1914	Rev. A. McD. Paterson	Newburyport	Providence
1915	Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D.	Boston	Portland
1916	Rev. John MacLaren Richardson	Conn. Valley	Brookline

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTH STATED MEETING

OF THE

SYNOD OF NEW ENGLAND

The Fifth Stated Meeting of the Synod of New England convened, according to appointment, in the First Presbyterian church, Brookline, Mass., Tuesday, October 24, 1916, and was called to order by the Moderator, the Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., at 2 p. m. who constituted the Synod with prayer.

The roll was called and the following named ministers and elders were present:

Presbytery of Boston.

Ministers—Samuel C. Gunn, D. D., Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., James Mitchell, Ph. D., Robert A. Bryant, James Todd, D. D., James Alexander, D. D., William M. Tufts, D. D., Edward E. Weaver, Ph. D., Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., George W. Warren, Samuel G. McNaugher, Duncan Salmond, William W. Illiffe, Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., Norman McQueen, Gregory A. Sheradan, Clarence A. Campbell, George L. McCain, John J. Romolo, Robert P. Anderson. 20

Elders—David W. Moffat, Boston, First; Archibald McLain, Boston, Scotch; David McInness, East Boston; Robert L. Bentley, Brookline; Donald J. Ferguson, Roxbury; A. A. Martin, Mattapan; David Donaldson, Somerville; William Cowan, Boston, Fourth. 8

Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.

Ministers—Frederick A. M. Brown, D. D., Howard Agnew Johnston, D. D., Ford C. Ottman, D. D., Frank M. Carson, D. D., Frank D. Smith, John MacLaren Richardson, John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., Walter J. Campbell, George H. McClelland, George M. Nicolls. 10

Elders—Charles Menzies, M. D., New Haven; W. W. Graves, Stamford; Henry C. Boswell, Greenwich; William Morrison, Holyoke. 4

Presbytery of Newburyport.

Ministers—James M. Craig, Alexander Jackson, Ph. D., Frederick C. Saure, Robert Atkinson, A. McD. Paterson, James D. Cameron, Richard R. Lange, James W. Smith, S. Thomas Simpson, Edgar Crossland, James McInnes. 11

Elders—Alexander F. Archibald, Portland, Park Street; Thomas Makin, Haverhill; Andrew Canossen, Newburyport, First; Frederick M. Vietor, Lawrence, German; Charles P. Woodbury, Bedford. 5

Presbytery of Providence.

Ministers—Nathaniel J. Sproul, D. D., Lester M. Conrow, John A. McClelland, Charles Allen Fisher, Leroy L. Daniel, Joseph E. Kennedy, L. E. Shields. 7

Elders—Alexander J. MacIver, First, Newport; Charles W. Weller, South Framingham; Alexander Cocker, Worcester; Henry J. McDonald, Providence, First; Adam Lamb. Providence, Second. 5

Whole number: Ministers 48. Elders, 22.

The following ministers were introduced during the meeting of the Synod and invited to sit as corresponding members:

Rev. Wm. P. Shriver, Synod of New York.

Rev. Richard C. Hughes, Synod of Wisconsin.

Rev. Norman M. Thomas, Synod of New York.

Rev. O. P. Gifford, Boston, West Baptist Association.

Rev. E. T. Root, Mass. Congregational Association.

Rev. A. W. Vernon, Mass. Congregational Association.

Rev. John M. Kyle, Synod of Pennsylvania.

Rev. A. C. McLean, Synod of the Maritime Provinces, church in Canada.

Rev. W. J. Martin, D. D., of the United Presbyterian Synod of New York.

Rev. T. C. Atchison, D. D., of the United Presbyterian Synod of New York.

Rev. Kenneth E. Munroe, of the United Presbyterian Synod of New York.

Rev. Ralph S. Davis, Synod of California.

Rev. Ralph Diffendorfer, Methodist Episcopal, New York City.

Rev. E. V. Addison, Protestant Episcopal, Mass.

ORGANIZATION.

The Rev. John MacLaren Richardson, of Connecticut Valley Presbytery was chosen Moderator.

The Rev. Lester M. Conrow, Stated Clerk of the Synod from the date of organization, October 22, 1912, presented his resignation in anticipation of his early removal to a pastorate within the bounds of the Synod of Pennsylvania. The Synod, by unanimous vote, instructed the Stated Clerk to enter as a minute of record, Synod's appreciation of the efficiency and fidelity with which Mr. Conrow conducted the affairs of his office and advanced the interests of the Synod; and assuring him of the prayers of his brethren, earnestly desiring God's blessing upon him in his future labors.

The Rev. James W. Smith, of the Presbytery of Newburyport was elected Stated Clerk to serve the two years of the unexpired term.

The Rev. Charles Allen Fisher of Providence Presbytery, was elected Permanent Clerk for the term of three years.

The Rev. John A. McClelland, of the Presbytery of Providence, was appointed Temporary Clerk.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements for the entertainment of Synod and the program of meeting was made

by the Rev. William W. Iliffe, pastor of the entertaining church and by the Rev. Lester M. Conrow, retiring Stated Clerk. The arrangements and program were approved by the Synod. The program as carried out appears in the order of the record.

A PRESBYTERIAN FORWARD MOVEMENT.

2.30 p. m. The sermon before Synod was preached by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. William M. Tufts, who took as the theme of his discourse, "The Keynote of a Presbyterian Forward Movement." Dr. Tufts based the presentation of his thoughts upon the text found in Hebrews: 7: 25, "Wherefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." Dr. Tufts was assisted in this service by the Rev. A. McD. Paterson, Rev. George W. Warren, Rev. Alexander Jackson.

3.30 p. m. Following the sermon, the Rev. William P. Shriver presented, by means of attractively illustrated charts, an illuminating survey of the field of the Synod of New England. This was a study of the religious history, growth and activities of the churches; of the social and financial conditions affecting their work; of the opportunities opened to the churches in their individual communities. Mrs. W. D. McKissick, retiring president of the Woman's Synodical spoke on the work of the women's societies in our New England churches. Rev. Clarence A. Young spoke on the type of men needed for leadership in the New England church. Rev. John F. Johnstone spoke on "The Race Question in New England."

5.00 p. m. Following a short recess, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed. The Moderator presided, assisted by the Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D. and by the Rev. Lester M. Conrow, who administered the elements. Elders L. H. Guptill, M. D., A. F. Archibald, David McInnis, Thomas Makin distributed the bread; Elders William Cowan, Adam Lamb, William Morrison, David R. Donaldson distributed the wine.

The afternoon session concluded with an address on "Leadership for the Present Day Task of the Church" and a conference led by the Rev. Richard C. Hughes, D. D., secretary for university work, representative of the Board of Education at this meeting of the Synod. This address and conference clearly set forth the fact that more than any other faith or association of mankind, Presbyterianism sustains the advancement of education in America and the world; and upon Presbyterians everywhere rests a particular responsibility for the support of

our sixty-three, great and small, denominational institutions of culture and learning, if in the future, the church is to have the leaders imperatively demanded.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

Bills and Overtures.

Ministers—A. McD. Paterson, Howard A. Johnston, Duncan Salmond.

Elders—Alexander J. MacIver, Henry C. Boswell.

Judicial Business.

Ministers—Frank M. Carson, Norman McQueen, Joseph E. Kennedy.

Elders—Charles P. Woodbury, David R. Donaldson.

General Assembly.

Ministers—Frank D. Smith, Leroy L. Daniel, James D. Cameron.

Elders—D. W. Moffat, Adam Lamb.

Leave of Absence.

The clerks of the Synod.

Finance.

Elders—Frederick M. Viator, W. W. Graves, Henry J. McDonald.

Nomination of Permanent Committees.

Ministers—Lester M. Conrow, Edward E. Weaver, Nathaniel J. Sproul.

Elders—David MacInnis, Donald J. Ferguson.

Place of Next Meeting.

Ministers—Alexander Jackson, Clarence A. Young.

Elder—William Morrison.

Records of Presbyteries.

Boston—Rev. George H. McClelland, Elder Charles Menzies, M. D.

Connecticut Valley—Rev. Edgar Crossland, Elder A. A. Martin.

Newburyport—Rev. James Mitchell, Elder Archibald MacLean.

Providence—Rev. George L. MacCain, Elder Robert Bentley.

Rev. James Mitchell, Chairman.

Committee on Narrative.

The Stated Clerk and the Clerks of the Presbyteries.

Resolutions.

Rev. Clarence E. Campbell, Elder Andrew Canosson.

The Moderator was chosen by the Synod a committee to convey the greeting of the Synod to the officers and members of the Woman's Synodical, then in session in the G. A. R. Hall.

DINNER AND SOCIAL HOUR.

At the dinner and social hour, 6.15 p. m., Tuesday, the Moderator presiding and introducing the speakers, post-prandial

addresses, pertinent to the occasion, were made by Mrs. John MacLaren Richardson, president of the Woman's Synodical society; by Mrs. W. D. McKissick, retiring president of the Woman's Synodical; by the Rev. O. P. Gifford, pastor of the Baptist church, Brookline, Mass.; by the Rev. Richard C. Hughes, D. D., Secretary for University Work of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian church, U. S. A.

TUESDAY EVENING.

In the presence of a large audience of the members of Synod, of the Woman's Synodical society and of the friends of the churches, two very inspirational addresses were made, at the evening hour meeting, by Miss M. Josephine Petrie, Young People's Secretary of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, who spoke on "Woman's Share in the World's Work" and by the Rev. Norman M. Thomas, of the American Parish, East Harlem, New York City, who spoke on "What We May Expect of the Church."

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Synod convened for a short period of devotional services at 9.30 o'clock. In the business session following

AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES

proposed at the Fourth Stated meeting (Minutes, 1915, page 151) were adopted making rules amended read:

(Article XIV) "The Synod's Permanent Committees shall serve three years, excepting when otherwise provided, and shall be so arranged in classes that, as far as possible, an equal number shall retire annually, the chairman and members being distributed equitably among the Presbyteries."

(Article XIV) "2 Home Missions, Church Election and Freedmen, the chairman and one elder of the Home Mission Committee in each Presbytery, with a chairman elected by the Synod."

(Article XIV) "3 Evangelism, a minister and elder from each Presbytery."

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

The following were proposed as amendments to the Standing Rules:

(Article IX) To strike out the words and characters, "Ten Dollars (\$10)" following the words "Permanent Clerk" and substitute therefor the words and characters, "Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)."

To amend Article XIV, by striking out Rules 4 and 5 and substituting therefor: "4 Religious Education, including Christian Education Publication, Sabbath School Work and Young People's Societies, nine members, five ministers and four elders. One minister and one elder from each Presbytery."

And, further to amend by the proper correction of the numbers indicating the remaining rules under this article.

By the unanimous vote of the Synod, the Standing Rules were suspended, Article XXII, giving the foregoing proposed amendments immediate force and effect.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The report for the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by the chairman, the Rev. Alexander Jackson.

The Synod instructed the Committee to arrange with the Foreign Missions Board of the church, an itinerary, securing through a representative of the Board or a missionary home on furlough, a presentation, in the churches, of the work and needs of the foreign fields.

Synod adopted the following resolution and preamble offered by the committee:

"Because, constantly enlarging work is greatly increasing the demands being made upon the Board of Foreign Missions, and conditions incidental to the existence of war in Europe are making and, for considerable time to come, are likely to make heavy additional demands.

"Because the Foreign Missionary enterprises of the Christian nations involved in the war are, of necessity, more or less paralyzed, while the offerings of home churches, in some cases showing decrease, have, in other cases, shown increases which have been far from meeting the pressing demands of the work, therefore,

Resolved: That the Synod of New England urges each pastor and session to make special and persistent effort to secure, for the coming year, substantially increased offerings for the work of the Foreign Missions Board of the Presbyterian church."

The chairman of the committee offered to print, at his own expense the comparative statistics given in the report. The Synod tendered him a vote of approval and thanks.

A PROGRAM FOR THE LOCAL CHURCH.

10.00 a. m. A conference on a Program of Evangelism for the Local Church was conducted by the Rev. Howard A. Johnston, D. D., chairman of the Synodical Committee on Evangelism. Dr. Johnston's address was a study of personal evangelism. "A plan to enlist every member of the church in a loyal effort to invite those who are not connected with other churches to our worship and fellowship."

The Rev. Norman M. Thomas, of New York addressed the conference on "A Gospel for the Industrial Worker," the Kingdom of God realized and exemplified in social and economic relations of brotherhood and righteousness.

The Rev. James McInnis, synodical missionary, presented a picture of Gospel labors among the men in the Lumber camps of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont.

The Rev. James W. Smith told the story of religious, educational and social service work among the Syrians of Manchester, N. H., a well established enterprise under the direction of the Westminster Presbyterian church.

The Rev. Elias N. Atiyeh, Syrian missionary, Fall River, Mass., gave a survey of social and religious conditions among the Syrian peoples in America and the eagerness with which they welcome educational and religious work.

The Rev. John J. Romolo, Italian missionary, Quincy, Mass., presented a study of the progress of Gospel work among the Italians and made an earnest plea for a greater recognition of their needs in this preparation for the Presbyterian Forward Movement.

Synod took recess until 2 p. m., session closed with prayer by the Rev. Clarence E. Campbell.

Following luncheon, members of the Synod, delegates attending the Woman's Synodical and friends were the guests of the Boston Presbyterian Men's League in an auto ride in and around historical Boston.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod convened and was opened with prayer.

Rev. James Mitchell reported for the Committee on Review of Presbyterian Records. All records neatly and correctly kept; no exceptions noted in any record.

The Committee on Overtures reported on the distribution of papers among the committee. No recommendations from the Committee.

The Committee on Judicial Business reported nothing brought before it for consideration.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer, the Rev. William W. Iliffe, read his annual report on the finances of the Synod. This report was referred to the Finance Committee for audit and final report.

Receipts.

Balance in Treasury, Oct. 27, 1915.....	\$90.85
From Boston Presbytery, 5-16-1916.....	86.76
From Connecticut Valley Presbytery, 12-6-1915.....	7.25
From Connecticut Valley Presbytery, 10-25-1916.....	82.24
From Newburyport Presbytery, 5-16-1916.....	59.57
From Providence Presbytery, 10-25-1916.....	41.39
Offering Popular Meeting, Portland, 10-27-1915.....	22.00
Offering Popular Meeting, Brookline, 10-26-1916.....	37.08
Total ———	\$427.14

Disbursements.

To Portland Church for entertainment.....	\$75.00
Woman's Synodical, Portland Meeting.....	25.00
Woman's Synodical, Brookline Meeting.....	20.00
Bristol Printing Company, Minutes, etc.....	79.20
Moderator's Expenses.....	8.51
Permanent Clerk.....	10.00
Stated Clerk.....	50.00
Postage to Stated Clerk.....	6.28
Home Mission Committee's Expenses.....	7.10
Total ———	\$281.09
Balance in Treasury.....	\$146.05

Bills Payable.

Salary, Balance to Stated Clerk.....	\$25.00
Janitor, Brookline Church.....	10.00
Entertainment Committee, Brookline Church.....	59.00
Printing, Bristol Printing Company.....	5.00
Postage, Stated Clerk.....	1.80
Expenses, Home Missions Committee.....	1.50
Total ———	\$102.30
Due Treasurer from Boston Presbytery.....	\$19.43

The Committee on Finance reported the examination of the treasurer's papers and accounts; the accounts were neatly and correctly kept and all vouchers found.

The Finance Committee recommended an assessment of three cents per communicant upon the roll as reported by the presbyteries to the next General Assembly to meet the expenses and requirements of the synodical year, 1916-1917.

Further recommended, that Synod instruct the Treasurer to pay the janitor of the church entertaining Synod ten dollars for his services during the meeting of the Synod; also that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the proper church committee having charge of the entertainment of Synod the sum of \$59.00 to cover the expenses incurred in such entertainment.

The report was approved and the recommendations adopted.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR THE LOCAL CHURCH.

2.30 p. m. The conference on Religious Education for the Local Church was opened by the Rev. William P. Shriver with a short study of the churches of the Synod of New England and of the interest manifested by these churches in religious educational work.

The Rev. Ralph Diffendorfer, of New York, then led the conference in a study of religious education as a vital need in the home, the church school and the community. This study outlined for each a program of worship, instruction and service.

The Committee on Religious Education reported at this time offering the following recommendations which were adopted:

That Synod especially commends to the churches, pastors, officers and members, the literature issued by the Department of Religious Education of the Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work as affording a definite line of advance for religious education in the local church.

That the churches of Synod observe Feb. 18, 1917, as Education Day, when the cause of Christian Education and the College Board be presented and be remembered financially.

That Synod's attention be called to Recommendations 8 and 13, Minutes of the General Assembly, 1916, pages 192, 193.

That Synod request the General Assembly's Board of Education to make surveys of our large New England colleges and universities with a view of establishing university pastorates in such institutions, the need for such pastoral workers being urgent and results particularly promising.

That especial financial support be accorded the Board of Education, by the churches of the synod for the year 1916-1917.

HOME MISSIONS, FREEDMEN, CHURCH ERECTION.

This committee reports that it has been organized with a view of keeping records of its work from the beginning of its organization in the Synod. Within the bounds of the Synod, during the last year, six English speaking churches received financial aid amounting to \$1500.25; three foreign speaking churches aid to the extent of \$3000.00; for work among the lumber men the Synod received \$1200.00. This makes a total of \$5780.25.

Hitherto, emphasis has been laid upon the maintenance of our English speaking work. The committee now feels that Synod must adopt a program of broader scope and include the work among foreign speaking peoples.

The work among the Italians and Syrians is already well known. In Hartford, a new work, full of promise, is opening up among the Ruthenians.

The committee learns that the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work, after adequate investigation has signified its willingness to appoint a missionary for New England. The committee recommends that the Board be requested to appoint as its representative in this work, the Rev. James McInnis, the present synodical missionary.

The Committee further recommends:

That Synod approve such steps toward the development of the Ruthenian Mission work in Hartford, as the Presbytery of the Connecticut Valley may decide to take.

That the Rev. Nathaniel J. Sproul, D. D., be appointed Synod's representative on the Home Missions Council, class of 1917, in place of the Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., resigned.

That Synod appoint the Rev. Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., and the Rev. John MacLaren Richardson, a committee of investigation directed to act in association with the City and Immigrant Work office of the Board of Home Missions and requested to give continued study to the work of our churches in down-town communities.

This committee is directed to report its findings and its recommendations, as to the inauguration and encouragement of mission work, to the Home Missions Committee of the Synod.

That the Home Missions Committee of the Synod be directed to enter into correspondence with the Presbyterian churches of Canada and of Scotland in the matter of church members leaving those countries to take up residence in the United States, and if the way be clear organize a Strangers' Welcome Bureau, for the Synod of New England.

That the Executive Commission be requested to inquire into the history and conditions of the present mortgage indebtedness of about \$100,000.00 resting upon eighteen of our churches and, if possible, forward some plan whereby this indebtedness may be removed within the next three years.

That the Executive Commission be further requested to inquire into the status of the endowed churches of the Synod, with a view of discovering what encouragement or what hindrances to development such endowments have been to such churches.

The above report was approved and the recommendations adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND SUSTENTATION.

In behalf of the Committee on Ministerial Relief and Sustentation the following resolution was offered and adopted:

That the Synod of New England petitions the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation, so to modify its rules through permission of the General Assembly as to permit the Board to exercise discretion in placing upon the Honor Roll and to grant unto him the maximum annuity, any minister of our denomination who although he may not have completed thirty years in the service of our church or attained seventy years of age, yet has incurred complete physical disability in his calling.

Report for the committee on American Bible Society was made through the Rev. Herbert A. Manchester, secretary of the Massachusetts Bible Society.

BROTHERHOOD, SOCIAL SERVICE, TEMPERANCE, LORD'S DAY.

The following recommendations made in the report by the above named committee were adopted:

That Synod urge an awakened interest in the formation of Brotherhood societies and the organization of the young people among our churches.

That the churches make diligent efforts to influence on behalf of the Kingdom of God the social conditions of their surrounding communities; that Temperance and Sabbath Observance be promoted through committees appointed from sessions and clubs for the purpose of aiding all organizations working for these ends in our state legislatures and elsewhere.

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

The committee on Place of Next Meeting, reported that an invitation to the Synod for 1917, would issue in due time through the Presbytery of Connecticut Valley, from one of the churches under its inspection.

COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The report of the Committee offered the following recommendations:

That, in accordance with the resolution of the last General Assembly, Synod, at its next meeting recognize, in some suitable manner, the 200th anniversary of the first meeting of the General Synod, May 24, 1717.

That, the 400th anniversary of the posting by Luther, on Oct. 31, 1517, of his ninety-five theses in his controversy with the papal church, also be given proper recognition in the program of the next meeting of Synod.

That the attention of the Committee on Home Missions be called to the recommendations of the General Assembly on plans pertaining to comity with other denominations, Resolutions 1, 2, 3, Minutes 1916, page 282.

That the attention of ministers, all committees on Narrative and Social Service be called to the resolutions relative to Marriage and Divorce found on page 284, Minutes of General Assembly, 1916.

That Stated Clerks, Committees on Narrative, and church sessions be urged to give careful heed to the resolutions of the last General Assembly recorded in Minutes on page 296.

The reported was approved and the recommendations adopted.

NARRATIVE AND STATE OF RELIGION.

Your committee would respectfully report that:

The temporal and spiritual condition of our churches is in a healthy and hopeful state and there is every reason to feel encouraged and thankful.

The Women's Work as reported to their synodical shows steady and encouraging progress made in the past four years so that, in rate of increase in gifts, it is surpassed by but three of the synodicals of our church, in other activities it commends itself to all.

Men's societies are awakening. Men's Bibles classes are increasing in number and size. Boston and Connecticut Valley presbyteries report several classes that exceed one hundred each. Out of its Brotherhoods, Boston Presbytery has organized a Greater Boston Laymen's League. This organization of Presbyterian laymen carries on the systematic visitation of the prayer meetings of the churches of the presbytery, going from church to church, stimulating members and friends with their prayers and songs and words of "Personal Work," "The Every-Member Plan," Evangelism, etc, etc.

The Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies are doing a splendid work in spite of the handicap of an inadequate equipment. Teachers and leaders freely give of their personality and their consecrated work tells in the large numbers added to our church rolls from the Sabbath schools upon confession of their faith in Christ.

This Synod, like other religious bodies is feeling the influence of the Sunday Evangelistic campaign. The plan of this campaign calls for the exercise of every talent in the church and the community. Already, we

have learned the possibility of thorough organization of the religious forces and of business efficiency in the conduct of church affairs. Every minister and layman is getting a vision of service that must make him a more earnest laborer in the vineyard.

No Narrative would be complete that did not deplore the decline of the family altar and call attention to the neglect of the Shorter Catechism. These are discouraging features and are to be regretted. They do not indicate a hopeless outlook. As the report of Newburyport Presbytery says, "It is the observation of the pastors and sessions that there is more of actual religion in the life and character of the individual as the years pass, but it is taking a different form than in other times. It is manifesting itself in higher moral ideas and in the more practical habits of moral life and not so much in knowledge of and interest in religious philosophy."

Your committee is persuaded that the spiritual life of today is not below that of yesterday. There is so much of promise, of wholesomeness, of genuine sincerity, of purpose in our churches that it behooves us all to thank God and take courage.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. WARREN,
For the Committee.

THE EQUIPMENT OF OUR CHURCHES.

5.00 p. m. At this hour, the Rev. Ford C. Ottman, D. D., addressed the Synod on the equipment of our churches and the co-operation of the Board of Church Election. This was a sympathetic and encouraging message.

THE DINNER HOUR.

6.15 p. m. Following the repast, after-dinner speeches were made by the Rev. A. W. Vernon, pastor of the Harvard Congregational church, Brookline; the Rev. E. V. Addison, pastor of All Saints' Episcopal church, Brookline; Robert E. Speer, D. D., Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7.30 O'CLOCK.

The church was thronged when the Moderator opened the evening session and after prayer and song introduced Mrs. F. S. Bennett, the newly elected president of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. In a short address of greeting she bespoke the well wishes of the Woman's Board to the Woman's Synodical and to the Synod of New England. Robert E. Speer, D. D., Secretary of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, then gave an address on "The World Wide Outlook," a story of the marvelous conquest of the religion of Jesus Christ among the nations of the world during recent years and of the promises in present conditions.

CLOSING BUSINESS SESSION.

Following the addresses of the evening, the presbytery was called to order.

NOMINATION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

This committee reported through its chairman, the Rev. Lester. M. Conrow:

First: That in every case, except where Synod has decided otherwise, the chairman of each committee, be a member retiring from the committee in 1917.

Second: That the ministers and elders whose names are here read be members of the Permanent Committees, classes of 1919, or to fill vacancies, or of special committees as designated.

The names were read and the report adopted with its commendations. (See the list of Permanent and Special Committees, page 161-165.)

RESOLUTIONS.

The Rev. Clarence E. Campbell, chairman, read the report for this committee:

The Synod of New England desires to express its sincere and heartfelt thanks to the pastor, session and people of the First Presbyterian church, Brookline, for the use of their edifice for the accommodation of the Synod; for the kind entertainment of its members in their homes; for the delightful luncheons served by their societies to the delegates and visitors to the Synod and Synodical.

Thanks are extended to the Boston Presbyterian Men's League for the automobile trip given the members and friends of the Synod and Synodical through the attractive suburbs of the city of Boston.

That this Synod heartily commends to the prayers and practical interest of our congregations the great evangelistic campaign already launched in New England and identified with the work of the Rev. William A. Sunday and his co-laborers.

That this Synod expresses its appreciation of the very important, illuminating and suggestive survey of the churches of New England, made by the Board of Home Missions, under the able and scientific leadership of the Rev. William P. Shriver and his assistant, the Rev. Rudolph G. Riemann.

That we express our desire and purpose to apply ourselves to the solution of the problems confronting us, to the acceptance of the obligations resting upon us, to the seizing of the opportunities before us, as churches, Presbyteries and Synod.

That, with great gratification, does the Synod here make mention of those who brought to us stimulating messages, so rich in promise of good results: the Rev. Norman M. Thomas, The Rev. Richard C. Hughes, Miss M. J. Petrie, the Rev. Ralph S. Diffendorfer, the Rev. Ford C. Ottman, Dr. Robert Speer, Mrs. F. S. Bennett.

A motion passed that the committee on program for next meeting of Synod endeavor to arrange as interesting and practical a program as that presented at this meeting.

EXCUSED FROM SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

The Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., to attend Home Missions Council, Atlantic City, N. J.

The Rev. John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., to officiate at funeral services, Hartford, Conn.

EXCUSED FROM ALL SESSIONS.

Boston Presbytery, Ministers—Milton Waldo, Thomas Douglas, John Calder, William C. Minifie.

Newburyport, Ministers—H. Marsten Andrews, John P. Newell, Albert M. Thompson, Stephen P. Brownell, Francis H. Laird, James Dexter Taylor.

Providence, Ministers—Peter Holmes McIntosh.

ABSENT WITHOUT EXCUSE.

Boston, Ministers—Lewis V. Price, Frank E. Mills, Edward C. Winslow, John E. Wildey, Duncan A. MacPhie, Joseph P. Langton, N. Frederiek Van Horsen, James A. Verburg.

Connecticut Valley, Ministers—Carlos Martyn, Joseph C. Wycoff, Charles S. Lane, William S. Voorhies, Henry W. Furnald, John Lee Maddox.

Newburyport, Ministers—T. James Macfaddin, John Kamm, Abraham L. Dunton, Bernard Christopher, William J. Ballou.

Providence, Ministers—Charles T. Schaeffer.

CHURCHES NOT REPRESENTED BY ELDERS.

Boston—Everett, Hyde Park, Lynn, St. Andrew's, Waltham.

Connecticut Valley—Bridgeport, Hartford, Noroton, Sound Beach, Springfield, Thompsonville.

Newburyport—Antrim, Barre, Graniteville, Houlton, Litchfield, Londonderry, Lowell, Manchester-German, Manchester-Westminster, New Boston, Newburyport-Second, South Ryegate, West Barnet.

The minutes of the Synod were read and approved.

After the singing of a hymn, prayer was offered by the Rev. Martin D. Kneeland, D. D. The Moderator then declared the Synod adjourned, the next regular meeting to convene within the bounds of the Presbytery of Connecticut Valley, on the fourth Tuesday, the 23rd day of October, 1917, at 2 p. m. The Synod was closed with the Apostolic benediction by the Moderator.

JOHN A. McCLELLAND,
Temporary Clerk.

CHARLES ALLEN FISHER,
Permanent Clerk.

Attest:

JAMES W. SMITH,
Stated Clerk.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

Presbytery of Boston.

33 Ministers, 14 Churches.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

- Rev. Albert McLeod, Hyde Park, Nov. 28, 1915.
- Rev. Norman McQueen, Union Square, Somerville, April 19, 1916.
- Rev. James Todd, Boston Fourth, June 1, 1916.
- Rev. William E. Archibald, Everett, First, July 31, 1916.
- Rev. John Calder, Boston Scotch, Oct. 10, 1916.

Ministers Dismissed.

- Rev. Albert McLeod, Presbytery of Sydney, Nova Scotia, Nov. 28, 1915.
- Rev. Henry B. Townsend, Presbytery of Philadelphia North, Feb. 21, 1916.
- Rev. William E. Archibald, Presbytery of Topeka, July 31, 1916.

Ministers Received.

- James A. Verburg, Classis of Michigan, Reformed Church, April 19, 1916.
- Robert P. Anderson, Disciples Church, Scotland, June 19, 1916.
- Rev. Isaac Manthorne, Presbytery of Glengarry, Canada, Nov. 16, 1916.

Installations.

- Rev. James A. Verburg, Hyde Park, April 28, 1916.
- Rev. J. Isaac Manthorne, Union Square, Somerville, Nov. 16, 1916.

Ministers Deceased.

- Rev. John Sinclair, D. D., aged 67, Oct. 22, 1916.

Candidates Received.

- Aubrey M. Chisholm, Member of Roxbury Church, Dec. 20, 1915.
- John A. McMillan, Member of Scotch Church, Boston, April 19, 1916.

Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.

16 Ministers, 10 Churches.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

- Rev. William Voorhees, Thompsonville, Oct. 28, 1916.

Ministers Dismissed.

- Rev. George H. Douglas, Presbytery of Baltimore, Sept. 28, 1916.
- Rev. George M. Nichols, Presbytery of Brooklyn, Nov. 13, 1916.

Ministers Received.

- Rev. George M. Nichols, Presbytery of Otsego, April 17, 1916.
- Rev. Arthur M. Thompson, Presbytery of Willamette, Oct. 3, 1916.

Ministers Ordained.

- Rev. George H. Douglas, Holyoke, Mass., May 26, 1916.

Candidates Received.

- Michael Kozma, Student at Bloomfield Seminary, Dec. 7, 1915.
- Valentine Hoda, Student at Bloomfield Seminary, Dec. 7, 1915.

Churches Organized.

- The Ruthenian, (Ukranian) Hartford, Rev. Theodore Halenda, Missionary.

Supplies Stationed.

- Rev. Charles E. Baker, Sound Beach.

Presbytery of Newburyport.

22 Ministers, 19 Churches.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Rev. Frederick McNeill, Graniteville, Oct. 4, 1916.

Ministers Dismissed.

Rev. Frederick McNeill, Presbytery of St. John, Maritime Provinces, Canada, Oct. 4, 1916.

Ministers Received.

Rev. S. Thomas Simpson, Presbytery of Minnewaukan, April 19, 1916.

Rev. James D. Cameron, Presbytery of Providence, April 19, 1916.

Installations.

Rev. Albert M. Thompson, Houlton, Dec. 1, 1915.

Rev. S. Thomas Simpson, South Ryegate, May, 4 1916.

Churches Organized.

Syrian Mission Work, Manchester, Miss Victoria H. Saigh, Missionary.

Presbytery of Providence.

8 Ministers, 8 Churches.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Rev. Albert E. Weston, Second Providence, Jan. 31, 1916.

Rev. Lester M. Conrow, New Bedford, Oct. 31, 1916.

Ministers Dismissed.

Rev. Albert E. Weston, Presbytery of Muskogee, April 18, 1916.

Rev. Lester M. Conrow, Presbytery of Carlisle, Oct. 31, 1916.

Ministers Received.

Rev. Lewis E. Shields, Presbytery of Muncie, Oct. 3, 1916.

Installations.

Rev. Lewis E. Shields, Second Providence, Oct. 12, 1916.

Candidates Received.

Robert Young Crosbie, Oct. 3, 1916.

Stated Supply Stationed.

Evangelist, Richard S. Quigley, Woonsocket.

ROLL OF SYNOD.

Presbytery of Boston.

Milton Waldo, D. D., 802 West Illinois Street, Urbana, Ill.

Thomas Douglas, Ph. D., 73 Charles Street, Boston, Mass.

Samuel C. Gunn, D. D., 8 Midland Road, Wellesley, Mass.

Lewis V. Price, D. D., Belmont, Mass.

Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., 320 Tremont Temple, Boston Mass.

James Mitchell, Ph. D., 16 Bradstreet Avenue, Beachmont, Mass.

Frank E. Mills, Pepperell, Mass.

Robert A. Bryant, Lunenburg, Mass.

Edward C. Winslow, 27 Warwick Road, West Newton, Mass.

James Todd, D. D., 821 Broadway, South Boston, Mass.

John E. Wildey, Manchester, N. H.

James Alexander, D. D., 8 Auburn Street, Brookline, Mass.

William M. Tufts, D. D., 863 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, Mass.

Edward E. Weaver, Ph. D., 89 Alder Street, Waltham, Mass.

John Calder, 61 McLellan Street, Dorchester, Mass.
 Herbert A. Manchester, ——— Boston, Mass.
 George W. Warren, 59 Monmouth Street, East Boston, Mass.
 Duncan A. MacPhie, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
 Joseph P. Langton, 592 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.
 Samuel G. MacNaugher, Dana Street, Cambridge, Mass.
 N. Frederick Van Horsen, 14 Kirkland Place, Cambridge, Mass.
 William C. Minifie, London, England.
 Duncan Salmond, 102 Beacon Hill Avenue, Lynn, Mass.
 William W. Illiffe, 57 Waverly Street, Brookline, Mass.
 Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., 25 Waumbek Street, Roxbury, Mass.
 Norman McQueen, 25 Stone Avenue, Somerville, Mass.
 Gregory A. Sheradan, Winchester, Mass.
 Clarence E. Campbell, 95 Quincy Street, Quincy, Mass.
 George L. McCain, 110-A Rosewood Avenue, Mattapan, Mass.
 John J. Romolo, 14 Rosemere Street, Somerville, Mass.
 James A. Verburg, 8 Prospect Hill Avenue, Hyde Park, Mass.
 Robert P. Anderson, Mt. Vernon and Hancock Streets, Boston, Mass.
 J. Isaac Manthorne, Somerville, Mass.

Connecticut Valley Presbytery.

Frederick A. M. Brown, D. D., New Haven, Conn.
 Carlos Martin, D. D., Noroton Heights, Conn.
 Joseph C. Wyckoff, New Canaan, Conn.
 Charles S. Lane, Hartford, Conn.
 Howard Agnew Johnston, D. D., 76 Broad Street, Stamford, Conn.
 Ford C. Ottman, D. D., 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
 Frank M. Carson, D. D., 18 Lafayette Place, Greenwich, Conn.
 William S. Voorhies, D. D., Thompsonville, Conn.
 Frank D. Smith, 222 Pine Street, Holyoke, Mass.
 John MacLaren Richardson, 848 Myrtle Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.
 John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., 130 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Conn.
 Walter J. Campbell, Springfield, Mass.
 Henry N. Furnald, Greenwich, Conn.
 George H. McClelland, 201 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, Mass.
 John Lee Maddox, New Haven, Conn.

Newburyport Presbytery.

T. James Macfaddin, Newburyport, Mass.
 James M. Craig, 3 Belmont Street, Lowell, Mass.
 Alexander Jackson, Ph. D., The Marlborough, Portland, Maine.
 H. Marsten Andrews, Peacham, Vermont.
 Frederick C. Saure, East Derry, N. H.
 John P. Newell, R. F. D. No. 1, Hudson, N. H.
 Robert Atkinson, 9 Pine Street, Bradford, Haverhill, Mass.
 A. McD. Paterson, 60 High Street, Newburyport, Mass.
 John Kamm, 246 Granite Street, Manchester, N. H.
 Albert M. Thompson, 17 High Street, Houlton, Maine.
 Stephen P. Brownell, Antrim, N. H.
 James D. Cameron, Londonderry, N. H.
 Francis H. Laird, West Barnet, Vt.
 Richard R. Lange, 338 High Street, Lawrence, Mass.
 Abraham L. Dunton, Windham, N. H.
 James W. Smith, 67 Brook Street, Manchester, N. H.
 Bernard Christopher, Londonderry, N. H.
 James Dexter Taylor, Impolweni, Natal, South Africa.

William J. Ballou, Ludlow, Vt.
S. Thomas Simpson, South Ryegate, Vt.
Edgar Crossland, 25 Wellington Street, Barre, Vt.
James McInnis, 63 Brook Street, Manchester, N. H.

Providence Presbytery.

Nathaniel J. Sproul, D. D., 6 Everett Street, Newport, R. I.
John A. McClelland, 162 Hollis Street, Framingham, Mass.
Charles Allen Fisher, 30 Russell Street, Worcester, Mass.
Leroy L. Daniel, 10 Bellevue Avenue, Providence, R. I.
Joseph E. Kennedy, 382 Broad Street, Valley Falls, R. I.
Peter Holmes McIntosh, London, England.
Charles T. Schaeffer, Athol, Mass.
Lewis E. Shields, 12 Bainbridge Avenue, Providence, R. I.



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The Synodical reports for the year past show a continuance of interest and an increase of activities; more meetings, larger memberships, better attendance at devotional gatherings and in study classes. There are now organizations in all but five of the churches of the Synod. Young people's societies are found in most of the churches of the Synod. Many of these young women's and young people's societies sent delegates, this past season, to the Pocono and Northfield conferences.

The total gifts made by the societies for the year gone amounted to \$7,287.22. This is a gain of \$388.72 over the preceding year. Of this sum, \$3073.07 was offered for Home Mission Work; \$3,138.15 for Foreign Missions; \$1,076.00 for the Freedmen.

Statistical Report.

Women's Societies	47	Membership	1346
Extension Department	2	"	27
Young Women's Societies	1	"	22
Westminster Guilds	6	"	27
Westminster Guild Circle	1	"	10
Christian Endeavor Societies	37	"	1548
Intermediate Christian Endeavor	2	"	80
Junior Christian Endeavor	18	"	607
Light Bearers	9	"	268
Little Light Bearers	6	"	217
Total Societies	129	Total Membership	4152

STANDING RULES OF THE SYNOD OF NEW ENGLAND.

I. This shall be called the Synod of New England, and shall include the six New England States, and be composed of the Presbyteries set forth in the minutes of the General Assembly recording them, (Min. G. A. 1912, p. 162), and any others which may be added from time to time.

II. Members of the Synod shall consist of the ministers who are members of the Presbyteries constituting it, and one elder from each church within its bounds.

III. The Synod shall meet annually, on the Fourth Tuesday of October, at 2 o'clock, P. M., at the place chosen at the last meeting; or, if this is impracticable, at such a place as the moderator and stated clerk shall appoint.

IV. The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Temporary Clerk and a Treasurer.

V. The Moderator shall be elected annually by calling the roll, except when there is but one nomination, and a majority of all the votes cast shall elect him. His duties shall be such as are defined by the "General Rules for Judicatories of The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A."

VI. The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall be elected by ballot and shall serve three years each, and their terms shall expire in different years. The Temporary Clerk shall be chosen upon the recommendation of the Stated and Permanent Clerks and shall serve for one year as their assistant.

VII. It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Synod. He shall, at the opening of the Synod, place in the Moderator's hands a complete docket of all business to come before the Synod. As soon after adjournment as practicable, he shall publish the proceedings of the Synod, and in doing so shall have authority to abridge the reports, except such matter as has been adopted, so far as may be done without limiting their historical value. He shall furnish a copy of the printed minutes to each minister and church session in those Presbyteries which have paid in full the Synodical apportionment, to the officers of the Women's Missionary Societies, to the Secretaries of the Boards, and to the church papers. To others the fixed price of the Minutes shall be twenty-five cents per copy.

It shall be the duty of the Permanent Clerk, with the assistance of the Temporary Clerk, to secure a faithful report of all the proceedings of the Synod, and deliver the same to the Stated Clerk upon the final adjournment of the Synod.

VIII. The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall constitute a committee of enrollment which shall make out the roll of the Synod as a result of the roll call of the members of the Synod.

IX. The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be Seventy-five Dollars (\$75), and of the Permanent Clerk, Twenty-five (\$25), per annum.

X. The Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, and shall serve for three years. He shall deposit the funds of the Synod with a responsible banking institution where an account shall be opened in his name as Treasurer of Synod. He shall present at the Annual Meeting his report, accompanied with vouchers and bank book balanced up to date, all of which shall be audited by the finance committee. He shall be authorized to pay all bills incurred by order of Synod and the salaries of the clerks of Synod. He shall give bonds to the extent of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), which shall be paid for by the Synod.

XI. The pastor and session of the Church where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk shall constitute a Committee of Arrangements, whose duty it shall be, to provide suitable accommodations for the Synod, arrange for the entertainment of members, suitable devotional exercises and recommend a program for the sessions and popular meetings of the Synod.

XII. Each annual meeting of the Synod shall be opened with a sermon by the moderator, or, in case of his inability, by some other member of the Synod, selected by the Committee of Arrangements. The morning sessions shall begin with a devotional service, continuing for at least thirty minutes and provisions shall be made for the Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at some suitable part of the meeting.

XIII. At each meeting of the Synod the Moderator shall appoint the following standing Committees:

Standing Committees.

1. On Bills and Overtures, five members—three ministers and two elders.

2. Judicial Business, five members—three ministers and two elders.

3. Minutes of the General Assembly, five members—three ministers and two elders.

4. Leave of Absence, five members—three ministers and two elders.

5. Finance, three elders. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to consider the financial need of Synod for current expenses, and to recommend for adoption by the Synod, an apportionment to each Presbytery to meet the same. In case of failure any year to make this apportionment, the rate shall be, for each communicant, the same as that of the previous year. This committee shall also constitute the committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.

6. A Nominating Committee to select and recommend for election the members of the Permanent Committees; five members—three ministers and two elders.

7. On the Place for the Next Meeting of the Synod, three members—two ministers and one elder.

8. On Records of Presbyteries, two members for each Presbytery, one minister and one elder. A committee to collate the whole and report to Synod.

9. On Narrative. The Stated Clerk of Synod and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries within its bounds.

Permanent Committees.

XIV. The Synod's Permanent Committees shall serve three years, excepting when otherwise provided, and shall be so arranged in classes, that as far as possible, an equal number shall retire annually, the chairman and members being equitably distributed among the Presbyteries. These committees shall be as follows:

1. Executive Commission, seven members—four ministers and three elders. The Moderator shall be, ex-officio, the chairman of the Executive Commission during the year of his incumbency.

2. Home Missions, Freedmen, Church Erection, nine members, the chairman and one elder of the Home Missions Committee in each Presbytery, with a chairman elected by the Synod.

3. Evangelism, eight members—one minister and one elder from each Presbytery.

4. Foreign Missions, five members—three ministers and two elders.

5. Religious Education, nine members—five ministers and four elders. (This shall include the committees on Christian Education, College Aid, Publication and Sabbath School Work, Young People's Societies.) One minister and one elder shall be chosen from each Presbytery.

6. Ministerial Relief and Sustentation Fund, five members—three ministers and two elders.

7. The American Bible Society, three members—two ministers and one elder.

8. Vacancy and Supply, three members—two ministers and one elder.

9. Brotherhood, Social Service, Temperance and Lord's Day, five members—three ministers and two elders.

XV. When a vacancy occurs in any of these Permanent Committees the Stated Clerk of Synod shall report the same, and successors shall be elected to serve for the unexpired time of those they succeed.

Unification of Committees.

XVI. In obedience to the decision of the General Assembly of 1912, Synod directs that the closest and most cordial cooperation be had between the Committees on Home Missions and Sabbath School Work, and especially in their Missionary operations; to prevent duplicating work; to secure greater economy and efficiency in the use of men and means and that, when any problem of organization or supervision shall arise, conference be had with the Executive Commission of Synod.

XVII. The Board of Trustees of the Synod shall consist of two ministers and three elders.

XVIII. No member shall leave the Synod before its final adjournment without first having obtained leave from the Committee on Leave of Absence, which Committee shall report to the Synod at the close of the sessions the names of all so excused. The roll shall be called at the close of the final business session of the Synod and the names of all absent without permission shall be recorded in the minutes of Synod.

XIX. The Stated Clerk of each Presbytery shall furnish the Stated Clerk of Synod with the following data before each annual meeting:

1. A list of the Officers and Permanent Committees of Presbytery.

2. A complete report of Presbyterial Acts and changes during the previous year, as directed by the Form of Government, Chapter x, Section ix.

3. The Presbyterian Narrative on the State of Religion.

4. The names of any ministers who have died during the year, together with their ages, dates of their decease, years of service in the ministry, and churches served.

5. A report of any changes which may have occurred in the eldership of the churches during the year.

XX. The General Rules for Judicatories, found printed in the Appendix to the Form of Government, and as amended from year to year, by the General Assembly, shall be the rules of order for this Synod in all cases not otherwise provided for.

XXI. The Standing Rules may be suspended, temporarily, and for a definite purpose, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

XXII. Amendments to the Standing Rules, proposed at one meeting of the Synod shall not be finally acted upon until the next annual meeting, when a two-thirds vote of those present shall be required to adopt the amendment.

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES AND ORDERS.

When an individual church in any of the four presbyteries may desire aid in its work, its application shall be submitted to the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions, and any recommendation which that committee may make, after careful investigation shall be submitted to Synod's Committee on Home Missions.

The Board of Home Missions agrees to accept the estimates of Synod's Committee as final, making no changes whatever in its recommendations for grants to the churches receiving aid.—Agreement with Home Board, Minutes 1913, p. 64.

When assistance in entertainment of members of Synod is needed, this item shall be paid by the Synod, and whenever necessary, the Synodical assessment shall include a sum sufficient to meet the expenses of the last Synod, thus reimbursing the treasury.—Minutes, 1914, page 93.

Synod instructed the Executive Commission to join with the Stated Clerk in the preparation of the annual docket.—Minutes, 1914, page 96.

The Presbyteries of Synod are instructed to secure from each church a report of the state of religion, before each Fall Meeting of the Presbytery, and each Presbytery shall report to Synod each year the spiritual condition of the churches, as supplementary to the statistical report which is sent to the General Assembly.—Minutes, 1915, page 142.

The Home Missions Committee is authorized to nominate Synod's representative to the General Assembly's Home Missions Council.—Minutes, 1914, Pages 85, 89.

CHURCHES AND ELDERS.

Presbytery of Boston.

Church Members 4357, Sabbath Schools 3377.

Boston First—Organized 1852. Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., pastor.

Elders—John A. Murray, Clerk; Alexander Anderson, John L. Christie, Archie Freeman, James Horne, William E. Johnston, James McDonald, R. D. McVicar, George A. Marshall, Wilson D. Moffat, Stephen Silver.

Boston, Fourth—Organized 1870. Rev. James Todd, D. D., Pastor Emeritus.

Elders—James Devoy, Clerk; Allan Campbell, William Cowan, William J. Dean, Robert Fraser, Allan McQuarrie.

Boston, St. Andrew's—Organized 1882. Pastor.

Elders—H. G. Richardson, Clerk; John Cummings, James Harvey, Charles MacKinnon, D. A. MacKinnon, A. H. McQuarrie, Joseph Maharg.

Boston, Scotch—Organized 1887. Pastor.

Elders—Archibald McLean, Clerk; John L. Ferguson, D. A. MacAuley, Simon D. McKay, John C. MacKinnon, William B. MacLean, Daniel MacLeod, John A. Robertson.

Brookline, First—Organized 1894. Rev. William Wallace Iliffe, Pastor.

Elders—Robert L. Bentley, Clerk; George Clark, Robert Duncan, Henry Harvey, John R. Jamieson, H. W. McCracken, Robert McElroy, S. J. McNeilly.

East Boston, First—Organized 1854. Rev. George W. Warren, Pastor.

Elders—John Robertson, Clerk; Daniel Freeland, Howard S. Hunter, David McInnes, William McKie, John P. McPherson, Gilbert M. Stalker.

Everett, First—Organized 1913. Pastor.

Elders—L. O. Robertson, Clerk; James McAlden, William Brown, Alexander Fraser, Joseph MacDaide, J. D. MacRae.

Hyde Park—Organized 1896. Rev. James A. Verburg, Pastor.

Elders—Alexander MacPherson, Clerk; John Higgins, Walter MacAfee, A. S. MacKenzie, Alexander Smith, Timothy Spencer.

Lynn, First—Organized 1890. Rev. Duncan Salmond, Pastor.

Elders—John S. Tarr, Clerk; J. M. Smith, David Walker.

Mattapan, St. Paul's—Organized 1911, Rev. G. Leonard McCain, Pastor.

Elders—Albert A. Halliday, Clerk; Neil Forsyth, C. C. Fulton, C. G. Kershaw, A. A. Martin, William H. McGee.

Quincy, First—Organized 1884. Rev. Clarence E. Campbell, Pastor
Elders—William T. Cumming, Clerk; Alfred Bishop, Alexander Clark, Charles Clark, Forbes Craig, Murdock Lamont, Duncan J. McLennon.

Roxbury—Organized 1885. Rev. Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., Pastor.
Elders—L. H. Guptill, M. D., Clerk; D. W. Bentley, John A. Campbell, John Christie, D. J. Ferguson, William D. Grant, I. G. Hamilton, Fred F. Logan, Murdock McLean, Heeter McPherson, A. H. Robinson, William H. Schenck, James Stevenson.

Somerville, Union Square—Organized 1886. Rev. J. I. Manthorne, Pastor.

Elders—D. R. Donaldson, Clerk; Ernest A. Hawes, Thomas Henderson, James McDowell, James Martin, William H. Sewall, John W. Webster.

Waltham, First—Organized 1893. Rev. Edward E. Weaver, Pastor.

Elders—John S. Neil, Clerk; John H. Jack.

Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.

Church Members 3655, Sabbath Schools 2753.

Bridgeport, First—Organized 1853, Rev. John MacLaren Richardson, Pastor.

Elders—Samuel Davis, Clerk; W. J. Baird, W. M. Bangs, F. F. Blake, G. W. Buck, A. H. Hancock, R. P. Heller, C. J. Knapp, W. G. Moore, W. K. White.

Greenwich, First—Organized 1880. Rev. Frank M. Carson, D. D., Pastor.

Elders—Henry C. Boswell, Clerk.

Hartford, First—Organized 1851. Rev. John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., Pastor.

Elders—Alexander D. MacKinnon, Clerk; Leroy C. Barrett, Henry Ford, T. L. MacIntosh, R. Robertson, J. F. Saunders, John Scott, W. H. Shaffer.

Holyoke, First—Organized 1886. Rev. Frank D. Smith, Pastor.

Elders—George Barnett, Jr., Clerk; James Cobb, Georges Forbes, Robert Inglis, James McDonald, Alexander McGregor, John Merriman, James Moodie, William Morrison, James Murdoch, Charles S. Roberts, Charles Warner.

New Haven, Benedict Memorial—Organized 1885. Rev. F. A. M. Brown, Pastor.

Elders—John S. Imrie, Clerk; Daniel E. MacAuley, John T. Manson, Charles A. Menzies, Jerome H. Owens, Richard Shillinglaw, E. W. Smith, Robert Webster, R. A. Whitfield, T. H. Young.

Noroton, Darien—Organized . Rev. Carlos Martyn, D. D., Pastor.

Elders—Eugene T. Burgesser, Clerk; Clarence E. Scofield, John A. Weed, Henry M. Wiley.

Sound Beach—Organized 1894. Rev. Charles E. Baker, Stated Supply.

Elders—Lounsbury Finch, Clerk; Millard K. Palmer.

Springfield, First—Organized 1895—Rev. George H. McClelland, Pastor.

Elders—G. B. Affleck, Clerk; E. M. Best, George Jack, Alexander Johnston, A. D. MacAuley, E. H. Sheldon.

Stamford, First—Organized 1853. Rev. Howard A. Johnston, D. D., Pastor.

Elders—Louis S. Begent, Clerk; Richard H. Gillespie, William W. Graves, Thomas K. Milliken, Samuel Pierson, M. D., James S. Strang, David W. Studwell, Edward D. Williams.

Thompsonville, First—Organized 1839. Pastor.

Elders—E. H. Parkman, Clerk; D. W. Brainard, H. K. Brainard, William Klein, John Ure.

Presbytery of Newburyport.

Church Members 2644, Sabbath Schools 2480.

Antrim—Organized 1788. Rev. Stephen P. Brownell, Pastor.

Elders—George P. Little, Clerk; Squires Forsaith, William C. Hills, Ira P. Hutchinson, Enoch C. Paige.

Barre, First—Organized 1889. Rev. Edgar Crossland, Pastor.

Elders—James McKay, Alexander Watson, George Young.

Bedford—Organized 1750. Pastor.

Elders—William Melendy, Clerk; Charles P. Woodbury.

Graniteville—Organized 1893. Pastor.

Elders—Robert Mitchell, Clerk; Norman Graham, Stephen Nevin, Alexander Stewart.

Haverhill, First—Organized . Rev. Robert Atkinson, Pastor.

Elders—George C. Miller, Clerk; Angus McAskill, W. P. McIntosh, Thomas Makin, J. E. Parks.

Houlton—Organized 1878. Rev. Albert M. Thompson, Pastor.

Elders—Samuel P. Archibald, Clerk; Benjamin T. Hussey, Robert Stephenson.

Lawrence, German—Organized 1878. Rev. Richard R. Lange, Pastor.

Elders—Ernest Brueckmann, Clerk; B. B. Bachman, William Meinelt, Frederick M. Vietor, Carl Weiss, William Wiemer.

Litchfield—Organized 1741, re-organized 1844. Pastor.

Elders—Mathew M. Campbell, Clerk.

Londonderry—Organized 1733. Rev. James D. Cameron, Pastor.

Elders—William Crowell, Clerk; Frank Avery, Wilbur Barrett, Clarence Goodwin.

Lowell, First—Organized 1869. Rev. James M. Craig, Pastor.

Elders—James M. Craig, Clerk; Alexander Campbell, Thomas Gray, Alexander McDonald, William McDonald, Mair Robert, Hadyn D. Russell, William J. Weir.

Manchester, German—Organized 1885. Rev. John Kamm, Pastor.

Elders—John Kamm, Clerk; Adolph Camona, Herman Melhorn, Fred Simon.

Manchester, Westminster—Organized 1884. Rev. James W. Smith, Pastor.

Elders—James W. Smith, Clerk; Sidney J. Lewis, Robert Lester, James Mineilly, George W. Tarr.

New Boston—Organized 1763. Rev. Louis W. Swanson, stated supply.

Elders—Charles S. Colburn, Clerk; Moses A. Dane, James P. Todd.

Newburyport, First—Organized 1741. Rev. A. McD. Paterson, Pastor.

Elders—William Binley, Clerk; Aaron B. Adams, John M. Bailey, Andrew Canossen, George H. Jacques, Alvah W. Leavitt.

Newburyport, Second—Organized 1792. Rev. T. James Macfaddin, Pastor.

Elders—S. Mitchell Miller, Clerk.

Portland, Park Street—Organized 1885. Rev. Alexander Jackson, Pastor.

Elders—Edward F. Hadyn, Clerk; Alexander F. Archibald, Frederick Barnes, George G. Betts, Angus McDonald, Jediah Rines.

South Ryegate—Organized 1851. Rev. S. Thomas Simpson, Pastor.

Elders—Frank R. McColl, Clerk; A. R. Bone, William A. Davidson, L. F. Hall, Nelson A. Park, Alexander Renfrew, William Stevens.

West Barnet—Organized 1851. Rev. Francis H. Laird, Pastor.

Elders—Andrew C. Ritchie, Clerk; Paul Morrison, James E. Smith, Quincy A. Whitehill.

Windham—Organized 1742. Pastor.

Elders—Caleb B. Clark, Clerk; George F. Armstrong.

Presbytery of Providence.

Church Members 1900, Sabbath Schools 1398.

Lonsdale—Organized 1884. Rev. Joseph E. Kennedy, Pastor.

Elders—William H. Wilson, Clerk; Peter Boyd, Joseph McCaughey, Wilfred Fogg.

New Bedford—Organized 1887. Pastor.

Elders—Jeremiah Irvin, Clerk; Kenneth Campbell, Robert H. Crawford, Lewis Cross, John H. Isherwood, Walter S. Macauley, David J. MacFarlane, John T. Scott, Benjamin B. Stevenson,

Newport, First—Organized 1888. Rev. Nathaniel J. Sproul, Pastor.

Elders—John Allan, A. J. MacIver, William MacKay, John K. McLennan, Daniel Smith, James P. Taylor.

Providence, First—Organized 1872. Rev. Leroy L. Daniel, Pastor.

Elders—Hugh R. McGregor, Clerk; David Brown, Malcolm D. McCune, Henry McDonald, Duncan Munroe, Charles M. Pike.

Providence, Second—Organized 1891. Rev. Lewis E. Shield, Pastor.

Elders—Samuel Waddington, Clerk; Robert M. Baillie, John Davidson, Adam Lamb, George E. Martell, James Murray.

South Framingham—Organized 1886. Rev. John A. McClelland, Pastor.

Elders—Charles W. Weller, Clerk; C. W. Bosworth, Charles C. Clements, Alexander King, Kenneth A. McLean, George F. Whittemore.

Woonsocket—Organized . Pastor.

Elders—P. S. Archibald, Clerk; John Bruce.

Worcester—Organized 1886. Rev. Charles Allen Fisher, Pastor.

Elders—Fred B. Thomson, Clerk; Alexander Cocker, J. Howard Jaynes, Foster Kierstead, W. A. Knollin, Robert McNab.

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